

CONSOLIDATION OF RAILROADS Also Steamship Lines and the John L. Roper Lumber Company Consummated. NORFOLK AND SOUTHERN CO. To Bridge the Albemarle Sound as Soon as the Work Can Be Done.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] NORFOLK, VA., November 23.—The consolidation of the various railway and steamship lines in Eastern North Carolina and Southeast Virginia, formerly owned or controlled by the Norfolk and Southern Railroad and the Norfolk and Carolina Coast Railroad, together with the Roper Lumber Company and other lumber interests, was successfully consummated here to-day. The name of the consolidated properties is to be the Norfolk and Southern Railway Company. Following are the officers of the new corporation: Marsden J. Perry, chairman of the board; Frank E. Gannon, president; Morris K. King, Charles O. Helms and George Roper, vice-presidents; Walter B. Gray, secretary; Mattie Manley, treasurer; H. W. McGuire, general superintendent; H. P. Foster, assistant superintendent.

The John L. Roper Lumber Company will be operated as an independent concern. This company recently bought the properties of the Bladen Lumber Company and Belhaven Lumber Company, and two miles of track of the Virginia and Carolina Coast Railroad, at Winthrop, N. C.

The railroad mileage of the lines included in the consolidation is as follows: Norfolk and Southern Railroad, 23 miles; Atlantic and North Carolina Company, including the Pamlico, Oriental and Western, 46 miles; the Virginia and the Virginia and Carolina Coast Railroad, 72 miles. Total, 41 miles.

The lines now under construction are the Raleigh and Pamlico Sound, from Raleigh to New Bern, via Wilson, Farmville, Grantville, Washington and Vancleville, with branch from Farmville to Snow Hill, 130 miles; the Atlantic and North Carolina, from Bayboro to Oriental, 10 miles; the Norfolk and Southern, from Norfolk to Blisbop, 15 miles; and the Virginia and Carolina Coast, from Mackay's Ferry to Columbia, 72 miles. Total under construction, 217 miles.

President Gannon said that the bridge across Albemarle Sound, which will replace the ferry heretofore operated, will be built as soon as possible. It will span the sound, 150, and one-half miles wide, and twenty feet deep, and will cost a half million of dollars.

The stockholders of the Atlantic and North Carolina met at Asheville yesterday and those of the Pamlico and Oriental at Raleigh, and assented to the merger, as did those of the other lines involved, who met here today.

The stockholders of the Virginia and Carolina Coast Railroad Company agreed to-day to extend their \$2,000,000 first mortgage bond issue, and the John L. Roper Lumber Company stockholders agreed to an issue of \$1,000,000 non-interest-bearing first mortgage bonds to the Knickerbocker Trust Company of New York and to extend a previous issue of like securities, which were sold by the Trust Company of America, of New York, as trustee.

They also agreed to deliver to Edward Reed & Co. syndicate managers of the Norfolk and Southern Railway Company, \$300,000 of the new issue in lieu of a similar issue made formerly and held by Rudolph Keybolts & Co., syndicate managers of the Virginia and Carolina Coast Railroad Company.

ROMANTIC MARRIAGE.

Miss Katherine Waugh Wedded to Her Constant Lover in Florida [Special to The Times-Dispatch.] WEST POINT, VA., November 23.—Miss Katherine McGill Waugh, daughter of Rev. C. V. Waugh, pastor of the West Point Baptist Church, left West Point this latter part of October to spend the winter at Palm Beach, Fla., with friends. A Jacksonville, Fla., was met by Mr. E. Beverly Aymard, who had been her suitor for five years, when he was a student under her father. He is a young business man of DeFuniak Springs, Fla., a man of many sterling qualities, and the bride is the only daughter of Dr. Waugh, who, for a number of years was connected with the State University of Florida, and was afterward principal of the school at West Palm Beach, and pastor of the Baptist Church there.

After meeting Miss Waugh at Jacksonville, and traveling a short distance, they parted for different destinations. A few days later Cupid, who had had the watch-care of them for five years, brought them together, and on November 23d, accompanied by Mrs. H. Porter Savage and Mr. Oscar T. Conkitt, they were married in the Presbyterian Church at Miami, by Rev. W. W. Paris. The bride party left at once for Palm Beach, where they were the guests of Mrs. H. Porter Savage for a few days, before going to their future home in DeFuniak Springs, Fla.

Hunnicut—Bell. [Special to The Times-Dispatch.] FREDERICKSBURG, VA., November 23.—The prettiest marriage of the season was celebrated at Bacon's Castle Baptist Church Thursday afternoon, when Miss Rebecca Emley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John H. Bell, of Surry county, became the bride of Mr. Bernard Clifton Hunnicutt, of Brunswick's Wharf. Rev. J. T. Bailey, of the Methodist Protestant Church, was the officiating clergyman.

The bride, who is a most beautiful brunette, and one of the most popular young ladies of the neighborhood, entered with Miss Irene Hunnicutt, and was met at the altar by the groom, attended by Mr. Charles Bell, his best man.

Mrs. Hunnicutt is a member of one of the oldest and best known and most respectable families of Surry county. The groom, the son of Mr. J. W. Hunnicutt, is a young, energetic and prosperous farmer, who lives at Burwell's Bay, Isle of Wight county.

Immediately after the ceremony the bride party and relatives attended a reception at the home of the groom, at Burwell's Bay.

Van Allen—Gardner. [Special to The Times-Dispatch.] WARRENTON, N. C., November 23.—Wednesday morning at 11 o'clock there was solemnized at historic old Gardner's Church, in Warren county, one of the most beautiful marriages ever witnessed by the people of that community—that of Mr. Turner Van Allen and Miss Mary Fleming Gardner.

To the strains of the bridal march from "Lohengrin," the party entered the church in the following order: Mr. E. L. Truelove and Mr. Sidney Abernathy in left aisle; Mr. J. Edward Allen and Mr. William Burroughs, on right aisle.

Immediately following these came the bride's four bridesmaids, Misses Lulu and Myrtle Gardner, Mrs. B. L. Hawkins and Miss Lizzie Gardner, all daintily gowned in white crepe de Paris, and wearing yellow satin sashes, carrying handsome yellow chrysanthemums. The bride, attired in a handsome tailor-made gown of brown chiffon cloth and carrying a large bouquet of white flowers, entered with her brother, Mr. Bernard Gardner, who gave her away; the groom, with his best man, Mr. Charles R. Rodwell, the Rev. T. J. Taylor officiated.

The bride is a most charming young lady, the daughter of Mr. W. E. Gardner, of Mason, N. C., while the groom is a prominent furniture dealer of Warrenton, N. C., where they will be at home after December 1st.

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First Mate Bartlett, a cousin of the captain, said the crew of the ship were well paid and well fed, and the Roosevelt was a staunch ship; but he did not think many of the Newfoundland members of the present crew would be found willing to join another expedition. It was a hard experience, which few men cared to repeat. Several other members of the crew, including some of the engineer staff, expressed similar sentiments. Their complaint was directed not to treatment by Peary, but to the privations and dangers of the work.

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The bride looked lovely in a gown of white cloth with silk trimmings, and carried white carnations. Refreshments were served after the ceremony. Mr. and Mrs. Dixon will reside in Lexington, where the groom is engaged in business.

In Memory of Dr. Claiborne. [Special to Southern Bell Telephone.] PETERSBURG, VA., November 23.—The Petersburg Medical Faculty, in session this afternoon, adopted resolutions on the death of Dr. James William Claiborne.

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Stars and Stripes Farthest North Peary, Who Placed United States Flag Nearest Pole, Leaves Steamer at Sydney.

SUFFER TERRIBLE HARDSHIPS Crew Unwilling to Make Trip Again—Roosevelt Good Vessel.

SYDNEY, C. E., November 23.—Flying the flag of the United States, Peary had been placed nearer the pole than any other national standard, and weather-beaten and disabled, the Peary steamer Roosevelt arrived here to-day under sail and steam, after sixteen months spent in a vain effort to reach the pole.

Though not entirely successful, the expedition nevertheless got to 87 degrees, 4 minutes north latitude, or within 22 miles of the Pole.

Commander Peary came ashore almost immediately after the steamer anchored and joined Mrs. Peary, who has been here for two weeks, waiting for her husband's return.

Commander Peary said he ought to get back to New York before discussing the prospects of a new expedition.

The commander said his immediate movements were in doubt. He thought he would pay off the Newfoundland members of his crew at Sydney, make some repairs to the Roosevelt, get a new crew and equipment and go to New York.

Picture of Health. Commander Peary looks in the best of health and spirits, and though disappointed at the failure to reach the pole, he feels satisfied with the advance actually made.

Dr. L. F. Wolf said that the health of the party had been excellent. There was no deaths and practically no sickness.

Commander Peary has received a large number of congratulatory messages and requests the Associated Press to circulate the following general acknowledgment:

"Commander Peary desires to make preliminary acknowledgment and express his deep appreciation of the numerous letters and telegrams of congratulation which have been sent him. As rapidly as possible he will make direct and individual acknowledgments."

The Roosevelt occupied anchorages opposite the yacht club's pier, usually reserved for vessels of war. The squadron flag and Canadian ensign are flying, as a further mark of honor.

The early callous upon Commander Peary at the Sydney Hotel was American Consul West. Learning of Captain Peary's wishes to make his departure as soon as possible, the idea of tendering a public banquet was abandoned, and a reception at the rooms of the yacht club was substituted.

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AN IMPASSIONED SPEECH FOR BRYAN Resents Leaving Out Resolutions Offered at Trans-Mississippi Congress by Bryan. GOES OVER THEIR HEADS

Congress Responds by Rebuking Committee to Extent of Adopting Bryan Recommendation.

KANSAS CITY, MO., November 23.—After electing H. D. Loveland, of San Francisco, president, adopting resolutions offered by William J. Bryan after they had been voted down by the committee on resolutions, and endorsing Secretary of State Elihu Root's idea for encouraging merchant marine, and for increasing our intercourse with South America by adequate mail facilities, the Trans-Mississippi Commercial Congress adjourned late to-day to meet in 1907 at Muskogee, L. T.

The introduction of politics into the proceedings of the congress was narrowly averted when the report of the committee on resolutions was submitted for action. John P. Irish, chairman of the committee, had scarcely finished reading his report when L. C. Irvine, of St. Louis, vice-president of the congress, made an impassioned address, denouncing the action of the resolutions committee in omitting from its report the two resolutions introduced by Mr. Bryan last night.

Mr. Irvine intimated that the omission of these two resolutions savored of political influence, and that their authorship, rather than their substance, was the reason for their failure of the committee to report them. He said all of the American people were in favor of the Bryan resolutions, and that if this convention did not want to lose its power and its influence it would better not commit itself to an action indicating a partisan feeling. He said that the Republican leaders who are fighting the trusts and Mr. Bryan were a unit on the trust question.

Couldn't Tell Them Apart. He said that if "you took a speech delivered by Mr. Bryan on that subject and Attorney-General Hadley's, or the whole of it, and told the name of their authors, you could not tell which man was the author of either speech."

Chairman David R. Francis suggested that a consideration of the Bryan resolutions be postponed until the report of the committee on resolutions as reported had been adopted.

The suggestion was accepted, the report of the committee was adopted, and Mr. Irvine then formally offered the Bryan resolution against private monopoly.

Mr. Irish made a reply to Mr. Irvine. He said that he opposed the Bryan resolutions because of the views Mr. Bryan had expressed in his New York speech. He said that these views were of such a nature that he did not want the congress to go on record as supporting them directly or indirectly. He said that Mr. Bryan, who was an eminent candidate for political honors, had advocated government ownership of all public utilities, and that an endorsement of his trust resolution would be an indirect endorsement of government ownership of such utilities.

Without further debate, the resolution offered by Mr. Irvine was adopted. Then Mr. Bryan's peace resolution was submitted and adopted without debate.

Improve Passenger Service. [Special to The Times-Dispatch.] RALEIGH, N. C., November 23.—The Corporation Commission issued an order to-day for improved passenger service, including an additional train between Pamlico, Williamson and Plymouth, on the Atlantic Coast Line. This is in compliance with a petition from citizens of the section, and as a result of official investigation made a week ago by the commission.

SKIN ERUPTIONS FOR 35 YEARS Suffered Severely With Eczema All Over Body—Examined 15 Times by Government Board Who Said There Was No Cure—An Old Soldier Completely Cured.

A THOUSAND THANKS TO CUTICURA REMEDIES

"For over thirty-five years I was a severe sufferer from eczema. The eruption was not confined to any one place. It was all over my body, limbs, and even on my head. I am sixty years old and an old soldier, and have been examined by the Government Board over fifteen times, and they said there was no cure for me. I have taken all kinds of medicine, and have spent large sums of money for doctors, without avail. A short time ago I decided to try the Cuticura Remedies, and after using two cakes of Cuticura Soap, two boxes of Cuticura Ointment, and two bottles of Cuticura Resolvent, I am now completely cured. A thousand thanks to Cuticura. I cannot speak too highly of the Cuticura Remedies. John T. Roach, Richmondale, Ross Co., Ohio, July 17, 1905."

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record that Thomas Jefferson intended that there should be a continuous system of education, under public control, from the primary school to the University. This idea has been very fruitful in all matters relating to collegiate and university instruction, especially in the South and West. It has yet to become fixed in the practice of our democracy, in regard to what is called secondary education.

State Control. It is at least one of the purposes of this conference to advance this idea of state control and State support in this field. The common thought about education in the public mind divides the whole process into four parts: elementary, secondary, collegiate and professional, comprising some twenty-five years of human life. These subdivisions, however, what arbitrary and superficial, hinder the mind from possessing the illuminating thought of the oneness of the whole process, but they seem to be necessary, and perhaps the best artificial divisions, that can be made.

From the beginning there has been a distinct idea of separateness between these educational forms, especially between the elementary and the higher work. The early colleges and universities undoubtedly had their genesis in the thought of kings and bishops and exclusive classes. The common school, on the other hand, is undoubtedly the product of the democratic spirit, resting on the aspirations of American democracy. Our modern democracy, ceasing to trouble itself so much about the form of government and coming to care more about the social opportunities offered to the masses of men, has brought it about that advanced instruction is everywhere reaching down and elementary instruction is everywhere reaching up. The point where their teachings converge is undoubtedly the high school, and it seems, therefore, to be the institution destined to cure that separateness, to reveal the essential unity of all educational work, to open the door of opportunity to four-fifths of the capable children of every State, to enrich and strengthen the colleges and universities, and to furnish to the life about them the training which that life needs for its fullest development.

In view of these facts, it is my belief that this conference, epochal in its character and in itself an object lesson in educational unity that cannot fail to impress the public mind enduringly. Certainly, so far as I can recall, no such body of men has ever gathered together solely for such a purpose.

Latin Schools. Early in the history of the Colonies, efforts were made to found Latin or grammar schools, supported in part by the State, and in part by private enterprise. Some of these schools, like the Boston Latin School and the William Penn Charter School, still exist. Their chief purpose was to enable future colonists to pass entrance examinations. For two or three generations following the Revolutionary period, a new type of secondary school, known as the "academy," appeared. Its appearance was due to a strain drawing away from each other of the forces of church and State. These academies were unrelated organically to the State or to the church, though most frequently they were the result of the educational vision inherent in the Christian point of view. In many illustrious instances, they were the result of the educational enthusiasm and power of single devoted individuals. They played, and are still playing, a wonderful part in the educational development of the nation.

They were in many cases the germs of most important colleges. They were often in the hands of men of amazing teaching genius and devotion. There will always be room for such academies, and they will probably always exist in their greatest health side by side with highly organized public high schools.

But the problem of secondary education could not be solved by these academies. From the early part of the nineteenth century until now there has been a strong demand for a system of secondary education, under the control of the State

Even more fascinating than "The History of Standard Oil" is Miss Tarbell's new historical serial, "The Tariff in Our Times." It's bigger and broader; one treats of a corporation, the other of a nation. It reveals a curious story—a story of panic and war, of selfishness and jobbery, of heroism and patriotism, of many who served and some who cheated, of the eternal clash of private with public interests. The great men of the day live again in these articles—Morrill, Chase, Sherman, Fessenden, Thad. Stevens, Horace Greely, Wilson, Mills, McKinley. You see them in their intimacies and idiosyncracies, in their greatness and littleness. "The Tariff in Our Times" is the business story of the Nation during an exciting half century. Between 20 per cent duty ante bellum and 50 per cent post bellum lies a marvelous tale of patriotic endeavor and daring intrigue. Miss Tarbell begins to tell it in THE AMERICAN MAGAZINE For December Besides this, there's Dooley's tenderly humorous article on "The Christmas Spirit," and William Allen White talks of "Science, St. Skindlind and Santa Claus." They will do you more good than the price of the magazine for a year. When strenuous jars, the newest of the "Adventures in Contentment," by David Grayson, will prove a mental sedative that's quite worth while. And so on—but why not get the December Number and enjoy it for yourself? 10 cents at any News-stand; \$1.00 a Year THE PHILLIPS PUBLISHING COMPANY, 141-147 Fifth Avenue, New York

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government. The public mind has always been the victim of a continuous system of public instruction, without kind alleys of any kind.

By the middle of the nineteenth century, especially in the East and West, the public high school, in response to this desire for a complete system of education, under public management, had become fixed in thought and practice of the people. States like New York, Michigan, Wisconsin, Minnesota, and Iowa had grappled with the problem with differing wisdom in purpose and detail. At first these high schools, as a sort of reaction from the past, were intended for those not going to college, but it has since become a gap between the universities and colleges and the elementary schools was abhorrent to any broad idea of adequate training, and very soon studies preparatory for colleges were introduced.

For the past thirty years the high school movement, as it may be called, has been growing, and coming to be considered in a way, the crux of the whole educational situation. The most important committee ever appointed by the National Education Association, the celebrated committee of ten, dealt with it in a most thorough-going way.

What the High School Means. Enormous growth in a sympathetic and intelligent understanding of what the high school means has taken place in the last two years in the South. The details and the methods employed in that growth, the actual summary of the results that should be attained, should be those who have been most intimately engaged in it. I believe that the work already done had done more to allay cross educational hostilities; to show to every phase of the educational struggle the proper attitude, to show the way to align wisely all of our practical phases; to give us a common ground of understanding, to the development of the public school.

Notwithstanding this encouraging growth of interest and this encouraging sum of accomplishment, I believe the following statements of fact are true:

1. The weakest part of our educational system lies in the realm of secondary education. Of the 2,315 pupils of high school age in Virginia, only five of every hundred were studying high school subjects in the high schools last year.

2. Between the elementary schools and the colleges of Virginia, there existed until this year a gap imperfectly bridged by ninety-three public schools doing more or less high school work, forty-five private academies and several colleges preparatory departments.

3. These conform to no well recognized and well understood standards, and are under no unified control. It goes without saying that most of them are in the hands of men of education and scholarship and high character and determined purpose. An intelligent and rapid growth in co-ordinating and unifying these schools is now going on in Virginia under the direction of the State Board of Education, and through the efforts of the South on the subject, and not a great deal in the Union. In 1908, out of 275 students admitted to the college of the University of Virginia, 66 students were prepared at free public schools.

4. Over three-fourths of our people—and this applies to the whole South, as well as to Virginia—are not provided with secondary education. This means that there is no open road to our brightest youth to the highest places in education. There is no mandatory legislation in the South on the subject, and not a great deal in the Union. In 1908, out of 275 students admitted to the college of the University of Virginia, 66 students were prepared at free public schools.

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